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Opening of New Telephone Exchanges in Delhi

3977 SHRI ARVIND NETAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of telephone exchanges functioning at present in Delhi and the capacity thereof;

(b) whether there is any proposal to open some new telephone exchanges in the current year; and

(c) if so,the names and capacities of the said exchanges?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Total number of Telephone Exchanges and capacity in Delhi as on 12.12.91 is as under:

i) No. of Telephone Exchanges	72
ii) Equipped capacity lines	650176

(b) and (c). Yes, Sir. There is a proposal to open the following new exchanges besides expansion of existing exchanges in the current year:

No.	*Name of New Exchanges*	*Capacity*
1.	Tikhand RUL (Commissioned)	4000 Lines
2.	Delhi University	1000 Lines
3.	Rohini Sector IX	3000 Lines
4.	Lodhi Road	4000 Lines
5.	Hari Nagar	5000 Lines
6.	Mukherjee Nagar	1000 Lines
7.	Shakti Nagar	10000 Lines

[*English*]

News-Item Captioned "Phone Racket Spreads Far and Wide"

3978. SHRI LOKANATH CHOUDHURY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Phone racket spreads far and wide" appearing in the Statesman, Delhi edition dated October 23,1991; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.